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SUBJ: CIVAIR: BRANIFF FLIGHT REQUEST

REF: STATE 023748

1. IN RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION FROM LOCAL BRANIFF MANAGER, AMBASSADOR LATE AFTERNOON JAN 30 CALLED GEN ARTEMIO GARCIA VARGAS, MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND TRANSPORT, TO URGE THAT GOP GRANT PROVISIONAL PERMISSION FOR BRANIFF FLIGHT ALONG LINES REPORTED LIMA 885 AND LIMA 844.

AMBASSADOR STRESSED THAT USG DISPOSED TO DISCUSS FINAL SETTLEMENT (WITNESS RECENT STYLES LETTER AND PROPOSED NOTE DELIVERED LAST WEEK TO DGAT COL. OLIVERA). GARCIA VARGAS EXPLAINED THAT DENIAL BRANIFF REQUEST BASED ON DECISION OF INTER-MINISTERIAL LEVEL MEETING, AND THAT HE DID NOT FEEL HE COULD OVER-RULE GROUP. HE DID OFFER TO MEET WITH AMBASSADOR ON QUESTION, SAYING THAT MON. FEB. 2 AT 11 A.M. WAS EARLIEST POSSIBLE TIME.

2. ISSUE IS FURTHER COMPLICATED BY GARCIA VARGAS REFERENCE TO ALLEGED VIOLATION BY BRANIFF INVOLVING LIMA-MIAMI CONNECTING FLIGHT TRAFFIC VIA PANAMA, WHICH BRANIFF NOTES IS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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NORMAL AIRLINE PROCEDURES.

3. WE REMAIN IN CONTACT WITH BRANIFF REPS ON THIS ISSUE, AND PLAN
MET MINISTER
GARCIA VARGAS MONDAY MORNING. AMBASSADOR HAS ALSO PLACED CALL
TO FON OFF SECRETARY GENERAL MARCHAND TO DISCUSS MATTER.

4. COMMENT: WE THINK IT HIGHLY DESIRABLE THAT STYLES OR OTHER SENIOR

AV OFFICIAL PLAN VISIT PERU SOON TO DISCUSS OUTSTANDING
CIVAIR PROBLEMS WITH GOP.
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